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From: Frances Sclafani <frances22us@aol.com>
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Sent: Thu, Apr 28, 2022 10:54 am
Subject: OPPOSE POSTPONEMENT IN BZA CASE # 20699 - 3801MACOMB ST., NW

Dear Mr. Moy,

As neighbors in this case, we are respectfully requesting your help in registering to the Chair and members of the BZA our strong opposition to granting a postponement in this case scheduled for a Public Hearing on May 4 at 9:30 A.M.

A postponement of the Public Hearing is not justified here. There has been a severe lack of transparency on the part of the owner of 3801 Macomb since the beginning of the surprise filing in this case back in January.

I am the immediate next-door neighbor, the owner of a small single-family detached house at 3815 Macomb St., on a residential block of single-family houses - and separated from 3801 Macomb St. by a 11'4" cement paved public alley. In the BZA application here, the owner submitted photographs to the right, behind and across the street from 3801 Macomb - but not of my house directly next to him only 11'4" away! That was just the beginning of the lack of transparency that is riddled throughout this case.

As neighbors we have been staying involved every step of the way in the movement of this matter. For weeks now, we have arranged our work and personal calendars and schedules so that we can appear at the virtual Public Hearing set for May 4.

On April 19, *the owner applicant* even posted 2 signs on the lawn of 3801 - both on the Macomb St. and 38th St. side of his house - *posting notice of the Public Hearing on May 4 at 9:30 AM.*

His request for a postponement now is not made in good faith. Nowhere on his form requesting a postponement does he mention intent to engage with the neighbors! The BZA website, itself, makes note of the requirement for such engagement. **HIS REQUEST IS NOT IN GOOD FAITH.**

The Office of Planning Report states the law clearly. As neighbors we stand behind the law - and the protections of the zoning regulations. The continuing pursuit contrary to the zoning law by the owner of 3801 Macomb in this case continues to be a drain on all the neighbors.

We need finality to this matter - and we oppose any postponement of the virtual BZA Public Hearing on May 4.

Mr. Moy, thank you very much for your help and assistance in this case. We thank you for advising the Chair and BZA members of our opposition to a postponement in this case. It is not justified. Please make all of our e-mails part of the record in this matter.

Sincerely,

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